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SUBJ: IMPROVEMENT OF PHYSICAL SECURITY - THESSALONIKI

REF A-80 PHYSICAL SECURITY SURVEY 4/23/75; AND A-41 2/7/74

- 1. IN VIEW CONTINUED LOCAL HOSTILITY TO US POLICIES REGARDING CYPRUS, INCLUDING POTENTIAL TROUBLE FROM LARGE NUMBER ARAB JORDANIAN STUDENTS ATTENDING LOCAL UNIVERSITY IT HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED BY RSO ATHENS AND RESPONSIBLE GREEK POLICE THAT EVERYTHING POSSIBLE BE DONE TO IMPROVE PHYSICAL SECURITY AT CONSULATE BUILDING. THIS BUILDING INCLUDES OFFICES AND RESIDENCES OF AMERICAN FS EMPLOYEES.
- 2. THE WOOD PULL-DOWN SHUTTERS ON FIRST FLOOR CONSULATE WINDOWS OFFER LITTLE DETERENT TO FORCED ENTRY. HOSTILE DEMONSTRATORS COULD EASILY BREAK THROUGH ABOVE WINDOWS AND GAIN ACCESS TO GROUND FLOOR OFFICES. IT HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED THAT IRON BAR GRILLS BE INSTALLED IN ALL WINDOWS HERE CONCERENED.
- 3. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT TWO IRON BAR GRILL GATES BE INSTALLED FLOOR-TO-CEILING AT GROUND FLOOR LEVEL AT ENTRY WAY TO FRONT AND BACK STAIRWELLS. THESE LOCKED GATES WOULD CONTAIN INTRUDERS IN CONSULAR AREA PREVENTING THEIR ACCESS TO SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL

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OFFICES AND RESIDENCES LOCATED ABOVE THE GROUND FLOOR LEVEL.

CONSUL GENERAL BELIEVES GATES CAN BE DESIGNED IN SAME DECORATIVE STYLE AS PRESENTLY FOUND ON WAIST-HIGH SWINGING GATE IN RECEPTION AREA.

4. MR. ED BRENNAN, CONSUL GENERAL, ADVISES THAT LOCAL CONTRACTOR IS READY TO EXPEDITE FABRICATING AND INSTALLATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN PARAS 2 AND 3. THE COST IS \$734.00. AMCONGEN THESSALONIKI AND EMBASSY ATHENS HAVE NO REGULAR FUNDS TO COVER ABOVE REQUEST FOR SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS. REQUEST DEPT FUND THIS REQUEST FROM ANTITERRORIST APPROPRIATION. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST. KUBISCH

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